## THE DREAM KILLER - I Don't Have To Give In - Wednesday, March 3rd

- It's vitally important what we get our flesh under control-*Rm8:12*-Therefore brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. 13 For if you live after the flesh you shall die: but if you through Spirit do mortify (W1828-Subdue, brought into subjection) the deeds of the body, you shall live
  - Living in the flesh as a way of life causes problems-Not making a mistake once
- We can control our flesh instead of being controlled by it
  - <u>The flesh can be subdued</u>-*Gal5:24*-They that are Christ's have crucified (subdue, extinguish) the flesh with the affections (emotion) and the lusts (desire)
  - <u>The deeds of the body can be subdued</u>-*Rm8:13-KJ,AC*-If through the power of the [Holy] spirit you are habitually putting to death (making extinct, deadening) the [evil] deeds prompted by the body, you shall [really and genuinely] live forever
  - Our flesh can be kept under under and brought it into subjection-1Cor9:26-I keep under (subdue) my body, and bring it into subjection (enslave)
  - We can possess our vessel, not be possessed by it-1Th4:4-That every one of you should know how to possess (have power over) his vessel in sanctification and honor
- The first thing we must understand in getting our flesh under control is that we don't have to do what our flesh wants
  - Desires and feelings of the flesh are real and can be strong-But we don't have to give in
  - It can feel like you can't help it, but give in-That's a lie
  - Jesus is able to help those that are tembted-*Hb2:18*-For in that he himself suffered being tempted, he is able to succour (aid, relive, help) them that are tempted
  - The one who was tempted in all points just like we are and never gave in will help me-Hb4:15-Was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin
  - <u>I can say no to the flesh</u>-*Ph4:13-I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me*